

Australia's relationship with

IOWA

KEY FACTS

- **Population:** 3,155,070 (7/2019)
- **Major Cities:** Des Moines, Cedar Rapids
- **Gross Domestic Product (GDP):** \$195,585 Million (2019).
- **Key Industries:** Agriculture, Manufacturing.
- **Known for:** Known as the Cyclone State, Iowa was originally part of French Louisiana. It has the nation's highest high school graduation rate with 90%. Iowa is one of the safest states, and is known for its green energy and hogs. Iowans love to watch college football and eat sweet corn.

ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP

- **Two-Way Trade (Goods Only):** \$410 Million (2018)
- **Australia's Exports to Iowa:** \$30.2 Million (2018)
- **Iowa's Exports to Australia:** \$379.8 Million (2018)
- **Priority Sectors for the Australia-Iowa economic relationship:** Agriculture, aerospace, machinery.

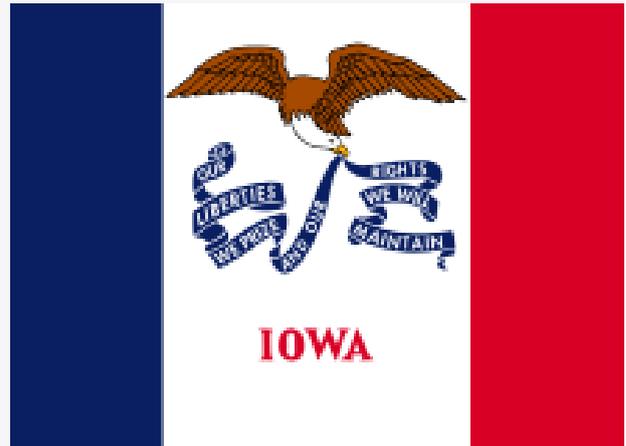
The Iowa Caucus is a decisive moment in US Politics.

PEOPLE TO PEOPLE LINKS

- **Sister Cities:** None
- **Representation:** Australia's relationship with Iowa is managed by the **Consulate General in Chicago**.
- **Consul General:** David Bushby

AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITY

- **Australian Community:** Australian culture is represented through the Australian Football team in Des Moines, the Des Moines Roosters.



- **Notable Australians in Iowa:** Iowa is home to Alex Hall's restaurant, St. Kilda. Mark Davidson, the market development manager for Wine Australia lives in Iowa.

Iowa is famous for its corn farms, and Iowan farms feed 1/10th of the nation.

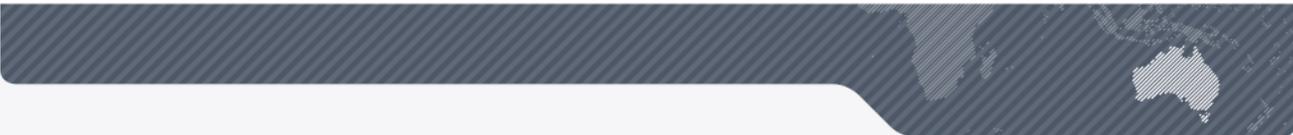
AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS

- **Corteva Agriscience™:** Corteva Agriscience™ is



the agricultural division of DowDuPont. DowDuPont brings together the complementary portfolios of Dow and DuPont, two innovative, science-based companies that hold leadership positions in the Agriculture, Materials Science and Specialty Products industries.

- **Digga:** Digga is a world leader in auger and anchor drive technology for loaders, excavators, truck cranes, backhoes and tractors. Digga drives are exported to over 50 countries.



GLOBAL BUSINESS

The **major companies** in Iowa are as follows:

- **Principal:** A retirement, insurance and asset management firm, member of the Fortune 500.
- **Rockwell Collins Aerospace:** Creates avionics and IT systems for aerospace and government manufacturers.
- **Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield:** A mutual insurance company.
- **HNI Corporation:** The largest office furniture manufacturer in the world. Also the world's leading hearth-products company.
- **Casey's General Stores:** Casey's General Stores is a chain of convenience stores throughout the Midwestern USA.

independent film, the JDIFF acknowledges emerging filmmakers from around the world and supports diverse and cause-related films.

- **World Food Prize:** An international award recognizing the achievements of individuals who have advanced development by improving the quality, quantity, or availability of food in the world.

UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

Academic institutions and associations with Australian partnerships:

- **Iowa** has no notable partnerships with any Australia Universities, excepting a few undergraduate exchange programs.

Nationally Ranked Universities

- **University of Iowa:** #84
- **Iowa State University:** #121

MAJOR EVENTS

- **The Iowa State Fair:** a well-known event culturally as well as politically and economically. Filled with well-known singers and performers, the fair also includes agriculture and technology exhibits. Furthermore, politicians always come to the fairs as it is a good way for them to meet their constituents and get a feel of pertinent issues.
 - **Julien Dubuque International Film Festival:** Dedicated to enriching the community and bridging cultures through the education and promotion of arts through
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